Strand Historic District, First National Bank Building 2127 Strand Galveston Galveston County Texas

HABS TEX 84-GALY,

38E-

HABS No. TX-3296 E

**PHOTOGRAPHS** 

HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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| STATE<br>TEXAS   | COUNTY<br>GALVESTON | ·                              | TOWN OR VICI                | ABS TEX, RY-GALY, 38E<br>NITY |
| FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING   |                     |                                |                             | HABS NO.<br>TX-3296 E         |
| SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE   |                     |                                |                             |                               |
| COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 2127 Strand   |                     |                                |                             |                               |
| DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE  | SOURCE)             | ARCHITECT(S) (INC              | LUDE SOURCE)                |                               |
| 1877   |                     | P.M. Comegys, architect        |                             |                               |
| SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE)   |                     |                                |                             |                               |
| This Italianate style commercial structure was designed by Comegys and built by Thompson Harden McMahan, a prominent banker and merchant in Galveston.   |                     |                                |                             |                               |
| STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Italianate style  |                     |                                |                             |                               |
| MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS)  Load-bearing brick walls with a cast-iron arcade on the ground floor.   |                     |                                |                             |                               |
| SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE)  |                     |                                |                             |                               |
| tangular.  |                     |                                |                             |                               |
| EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE The building contains a cast-iron one story facade with ornate fluted Corinthian columns and a denticulated cornice, typical long and narrow two-over-two Victorian double-hung windows surmounted with arched hood molds, and a highly decorated cornice with modillions, brackets and dentils. |                     |                                |                             |                               |
| INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)  |                     |                                |                             |                               |
| Not accessible at the time of the survey.  |                     |                                |                             |                               |
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| MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES   |                     |                                |                             |                               |
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| PRESENT CONDITION AND USE  |                     |                                |                             |                               |
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| OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE   |                     |                                |                             |                               |
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| SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.)   |                     |                                |                             |                               |
| ional Register of Historic Places Nomination Form, The Strand Historic District, National Register, Washington, D.C.   |                     |                                |                             |                               |
| COMPILER, AFFILIATION  |                     |                                |                             | DATE                          |
| Kent R. Newell, Historian, Historic American Buildings Survey  |                     |                                | ey                          | September 22, 1980            |